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THE TRAGEDY AT CANNES.

The tragedy at Cannes which has sent a thrill through the society circles of two continents, brings to the front again the folly of a flirtatious wife, the recklessness of a lover who fancied himself secure, and the crime of a husband who found his jealous suspicions only too well supported by the evidence of circumstances.

Mr. EDWARD PARKER DEACON, grandson of an old Commodore of the United States Navy, was received in social circles everywhere as an accredited representative of Boston's best blood. His wife, the daughter of a Rear-Admiral, had not less social prestige. The husband was handsome and manly, the wife beautiful and brilliant. They had wealth to spare, and lavishly entertained their friends at home and abroad.

It would seem that the legitimate pleasures of her position and her wealth might have sufficed for a wife so fortunate in goods and graces. Or that her own dignity if not her sense of wifely fidelity, should have kept her from compromising associations. That they did not do so is indicated by the circumstances of the tragedy and by the flood of old gossip suddenly turned into the public ear by the event of Cannes.

The social eminence of the parties to this affair lends more than ordinary prominence to the event. It does not alter the stern import of exactly similar occurrences in higher and lower spheres of life—the import of a terribly solemn warning of the absolute peril to herself and others brought on by a wife who thoughtlessly allowed the appearance of a deviation from the strict line of her marital duty.

Mr. MALX, of Williamsburg, won a singular bet the other night. It provided for four pairs of beer to be bought by him, or otherwise, according as he succeeded or failed in an attempt to draw a crowd of five hundred people within five minutes. He lay down on the sidewalk and howled. In less than the time mentioned the crowd was with him. But the matter of the beer is unavoidably postponed, while Mr. Malx serves twenty-nine days for disorderly conduct. This incident shows, among other things, how hopelessly devoid of a sense of humor the police department of a municipality may be.

The "Huckleberry" surface road franchise bill moved to a third reading in the Assembly yesterday with scarcely a protest. Yet it is an evil bill, giving almost unlimited powers to the corporation interested. Its final passage as it stands should be prevented.

The BERNHARDY has struck tribulation in St. Louis. In all that flourishing town there was no hotel where the tragedienne's St. Bernard dog might lay his head inside the same room with SARAH's own. Oh, the times and the tragedies!

Perhaps the railroad people will presently become convinced that the straightforward way and the only way for them is to consult the interest of the Harim people in getting their tracks across the Harlem River.

The Nationalists in Parliament kept their promise of giving HAROLD's new Irish bill a lively reception on its introduction. But the laugh was noticeably one in which Mr. Harcourt did not join.

Insane sayings should not be living tombs for the victims of conspirators. The passage of the McMahon bills at Albany will give reasonable assurance that they will not be so in this State.

The State Senate resolution for an investigation of the Reading coal combine was timely. New York must not sit quietly by while the rights of its people are overridden by corporations.

The "Greater New York" is indefinitely postponed from political causes. But it must come some day from rational causes.

The city wants new buildings that won't burn and old ones so guarded that their inmates shall not burn with them.

Break the coal combine.

THE CLEANER.

Assistant District Attorney Wanhope Lynn is receiving the congratulations of his friends for the able manner in which he conducted the prosecution of five-keeper Tom Stevenson. Stevenson's conviction is a big fatality in Mr. Lynn's cap, and he deserves all the praise he is getting.

Mr. Bind carries his hobby for free silver to such an extent, that he wears a silver watch and not a gold one, as a man of his position would be more apt to do.

What a pity it is that Peter Maher has chosen champagne as a beverage! And just at this juncture, too, when, as the representative of the Emerald Isle, he is looked to to avenge the downfall of Jack Dempsey when he meets Fitzsimmons on March 2.

New York Theosophists look upon William Q. Judge as the probable successor of Col. Olcott, whose retirement from the head of the sect has just been announced. Mr. Judge, as Col. Olcott's resignation from the Presidency is due entirely to the failure of his health, and not to any decline in the strength of his faith.

President Charles W. Eliot, of Harvard, was a conspicuous figure in the early sessions of the National Educational Association. He is now holding his sessions in Brooklyn. Dr. Eliot, could he lay claim to being the youngest college President in the country, but now President Seth Low, of Columbia, has the call.

The complimentary dinner to be given to Walter C. Camp, the veteran football player, by the Alumni of Yale on the evening of Feb. 27 at the Madison Square Garden Assembly Rooms, promises to be a noteworthy affair. Judging from present indications and the number of tickets disposed of it will go away ahead of the most famous "Bob" Cook dinner which was given by Yale men in honor of the distinguished oarsman several winters ago.

THE HOME FINANCES.

Should the Wife and Mother Be Paid a Salary?

Her Equitable Share of Her Husband's Earnings.

This Discussion by "Evening World" Readers Closed To-Day.

The discussion in this column of the question, "Should Wives Receive Salaries?" was closed at noon today. No letters received after that hour will be eligible for the prize. All letters received prior to 12 o'clock P. M. will be considered by the committee making the award, though it is obviously impossible to print more than a few.

Equal Rights to All Surplus.

I believe the wife to be as much entitled to a portion of any balance of her husband's earnings, after all necessary bills are paid, as he is himself.

I also believe that such money as may be on hand at any time can and will be disposed of to the best advantage, providing both husband and wife are honest, sober and Christian people.

Such depends on the resources of the husband and his general make-up of character. If my wife was such a person that I would be afraid to leave any money in the house for her to use in any way she saw fit I would be very sorry for it.

Pay Day a Source of Joy.

After a week of toil how acutely appreciated is the recompense. How it would please and comfort a wife to know that her services were rewarded, not only by a sense of duty fulfilled, but also with a certain weekly remuneration—little, perhaps, but all her own.

How it would gratify her to add to her little board week after week, and when cases deserving came to her notice, to contribute from her money. Men, give your wives salaries, and then note their zealous endeavors to earn them.

W. D. Cannon City, Col.

Judge Each Case on Its Merits.

I think circumstances should decide the question, whether the wife should receive an allowance or not. Men and women's natures are very different. When great economy must be used, and managing the household depends largely upon the wife, then in such a case I think it is fair and just to allow her a stipulated sum every month, and I see no reason why a man should respect his wife less for accepting the allowance thereby lightening his burden.

Many women prefer not to have the care of such matters, and when there is no reason for it, they should not. If a man is a trifling spender, there is no need of this allowance. Wives should not demand the salary. Let it be the cause of contention. Make money a good place to abide. Every woman's conscience will tell her how best to succeed in this.

JOHNIE WENT A-GUNNING WITH HIS LITTLE GUN.

From Judge.

Bernhardt sleeps five hours in a cool room. She is said to be very fit about her bedclothes and carries linen sheets and pillow slips, wooden blankets and an eiderdown coverlet wherever she goes.

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But Spring is coming. Keep your eyes open. Will tell you this, because his eyes are looking out at you. Look for him.

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WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

THOSE WHO WISH TO CELEBRATE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY AND THE EXCELLENT WINES AT THE RESTAURANT TO ANN ST. AND 140 FULTON ST. MOUQUIN RESTAURANT AND WINE CO.

PLAIN DRESSES MADE PRETTY.

Little Touches That Beautify and Are Not Expensive.

Fashion Items of Interest to the Gentler Sex.

The little touches of beauty that enhance a child's delight and make a common cotton an uncommon dress cost very little. Silk braid, such as tailors use, may be bought at the rate of five cents a yard, and ten yards will go round and round a little red dress and wear and wash like flax. Mohair braid is much cheaper, and for aprons there are white braids, machine stitched, that are nice to cover the seams with, and sell at a penny a yard.



Tart cakes, that is layer cakes, are filled with everything at hand in the way of sweets and delicacies, jelly, nuts, preserved and candied fruits, custards, chocolate and ginger are combined in the filling of a single loaf.

Assorted tarts will kill any ordinary cold if taken at the first feeling of depression. The caution not to neglect the beginnings of influenza cannot be too often repeated. A fatal termination to the illness springs in six cases out of ten from the patient having trusted against the malady in its earliest stages.

"If you would substitute, succumb." Take to your bed as soon as you feel ill and send for a doctor.

Fine needlework is not a "lost art." Women who do exquisite initialing for a local Woman's Christian Union get as high as 25 cents for working a dozen eye-binding, hand-splitting letters on handkerchiefs and shirt-cases.

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MINER'S THEATRICAL PUZZLE.

The Fifth Avenue May Open in May, and It May Not.

Mantel to Be the Star of the Proctor Stock-Stage Notes.

The Fifth Avenue Theatre force is developing into a tragedy in quantities of acts. It was said yesterday that Stuart Hobson held a contract by the terms of which he was to rent the Fifth Avenue Theatre beginning May 1. It has, however, been announced that a Summer season of comedies is to be the attraction at the new Fifth Avenue, commencing May 10, and Messrs. Frait and Matthews are supposed to be engaging the principals and chorus for a big production of Frank Dupee's comic opera, "King Calico." The latest is that Sarah Bernhardt still has a hankering to open the new theatre, and that her managers are hoping that the May opening will not take place—a hope that seems to be extremely justifiable—and that Sarah can consequently come. The affair is hopelessly mixed up and a tragic denouement is in order. The exterior of the not-yet-house begins to look very imposing. It is said that a new set of iron girders for the interior have had to be made, as the original set were found to be too short. Outside there is a dreary dearth of theatrical announcement—unless an advertisement of an entertainment to be given at the Treasures' Club be considered as such. The sign setting forth that "Sarah Bernhardt will positively open this house Nov. 22" (1891) has been removed.

Henry Miller, who is to play the title role in "Frederic Lennox," a play to be produced as a curtain-raiser at Her Majesty's Theatre next week, is now in town. His place in the new play is a very large salary was offered him by William Ingersoll.

Jean and Edouard de Hezre occupied a box at the Madison Square Theatre Wednesday night and saw "A Trip to Chinatown." They appeared to be very pleased, though the latter must be to them have been a sealed book. They applauded Miss Harriet Avery Strakosky very vigorously.

Robert Mantell, it is said, has declined to be a member of the stock company that is going to be organized for Proctor's Twenty-third Street Theatre. So he will be started in that organization, which will produce several of his plays. It is said that an effort was made to secure Julia Arthur for leading roles, but that a very large salary was offered her. As, however, Miss Arthur happens to be under engagement to Manager A. M. Palmer, it was not possible to get her.

"Colonel Carter of Cartersville," is now being dignifiedly rehearsed at Palmer's Theatre. The leading roles will be played by Mr. Mantell, Mr. Holland. The part is said to be a very prominent one; in fact the play is all Col. Carter.

Maurice Grau was in Philadelphia yesterday with his opera company, and the delays of the company after day were consequently misused.

Manager Pitou now has a repertoire of ten plays, the "cream" of which will be presented at the Union Square Theatre. He will open with "The Last Straw," an adaptation of the French play "Le Dernier des Français," which was already announced. The latest Miss Seligman will play a light comedy part. Miss Bernhardt will play a light comedy part. Miss Bernhardt will play a light comedy part.

When Frederick Ward and Louis James star together next season their leading lady will be Katharine Hammer, a very bold young actress, who played the pretty little part of "Dearest" in "Little Lord Fauntleroy" at the Broadway Theatre.

When the Italian opera season at the Metropolitan Opera-house is over, about twenty-five or thirty Italian players will be introduced into the city. The feature of next week will be "Lakme."

Manager John H. Russell, the great authority on the theatre, says that the plays of that class are steadily improving in quality and being a great deal of their interest. They are widely scattered over the city, and about the specialties will not be dragged in, but will be introduced with good and sufficient reason. The new season will be a white-satin ball dress in a scene representing the Paris region, and mainly remarkable for its beauty. The new season will be a white-satin ball dress in a scene representing the Paris region, and mainly remarkable for its beauty.

The Prospect and Suburban Harriers will contest with unusual vigor for championship honors this year. Both of these organizations have exceptionally good teams at work.

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SHOULD BE GREAT BATTLE.

Maher and Fitzsimmons Training Hard for the Mill.

Suggested Scale of Prize-Ring Weights—Sporting Notes.

Peter Maher, the Irish pugilist, and Bob Fitzsimmons, the Australian, only have two weeks left in which to prepare for their contest before the Olympic Club in New Orleans.

Maher is being trained for this mill as he never trained before. He is at East Hampton, L. I.

Billy Madden, his manager, is with him. Madden realizes, as perhaps no one else does, that Maher's coming battle will decide his standing as a pugilist. If Maher wins he will attain a position close to the championship at a single jump. If he is knocked out he will be shelved for all time. With these facts staring him in the face Maher should fight as, for his very life.

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